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Meeting took place ^{Monday June 8th (Between Roman KUPCHYN'SKY} ~~Monday June 8~~ 1964 at 6:00) on Broadway and ^{and} ~~and~~ 116th St. Ate, and went for a walk to the vicinity of the international house. S. ^{Tarshenko, Anatoli} described his trip to California said that he visited Chicago, Los Angeles, and San Fransiscp. He made the trip with another exchange student from Yale University. The student from Yale is a Russian . They went to California by plane.

While in San Fransisco they visited an America family S. s' only coment was that the daugther goes to school and works at the same ^{system} time. This to him was not right, he said that the America educational probably must be very easy to permit students to go to school and work at the same time. In California he meet a student from Ukraine Vasyl Hrucha. ⁴² ~~who~~ is a student at UCLA from Kharkiv. They went drinking together. S. said that he is going back to Moscow June 19 and will ~~arrive-~~ arrive at Moscow June 21 along the way they will stop in Paris. They are going by plane. I gave him a book of poetry by Drai Khmara he asked who Drai Khmara was and I explained to him that he was a Ukrainian poet who ~~who~~ was imprisiomed by the Soviet govt. in the 1930's. He asked if he could obtain copies of this book in Moscow I told him that I doubt it. And if he did obtain ~~one~~ to let me know. He asked if Drai Khmara was a political poet I told him to read the works for himself and then tell me what he thought of him. S. wanted to give me a pham-plet on Kiev I told him that he already ^{me} gave this phamplet before. He said that he was homesick and waiting to return to Moscow He complained about the high cost of everything in the US. and said that he was glad that he was leaving. We started talking about Stalin and the days of the "personality cult" I asked S. who was responsible for the atrocities of that era. Was Stalin the only man who knew what was going on or ~~+~~ did the present leaders of the party have anything to do with the purges and atrocities.

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S. replied that Stalin was not the only man responsible for the times that Beria, Kaganovich, and Malenkov were also responsible.

I asked about the role of Khrushchev who was the first secretary of the Ukrainian Communist Party during the regime of Stalin.

First S. said that Khrushchev did not know what was going on, later he changed his story that Khrushchev knew what was going on but was

too scared to do anything about it. I asked S. who elected Stalin

He said that Stalin was elected by the Communist party. Then I

asked How long Stalin was in power. He said from 1925 to 1953 I

said that this was quite a long time, and how come the party did

not remove him from power. He said that Stalin was not all bad and

accomplished some ~~wherth-~~ worthwhile things while in power.

I asked him what he did more, good or bad he said bad. Therefore

I said the party could have been justified in throwing him out.

He replied that very few people knew what was really going on.

Thus changing his story from before. We talked about Shevchenko

and he showed me an article from USSR magazine about Shevchenko.

I asked about the status of Ukrainians in the Soviet Union he said

that they are equal to all. Since we talked on this topic before

I decided not to press the issue. At 7:30 he said that he had to

go to his dorm for a few minutes because he was expecting a call

from his friend from Yale University, he returned in a few minutes.

Said that he left a message so that when his friend calls to let

him know. I started a conversation about the secret police asking

if it is still active and who is in charge. He said that the KGB

(committee for state security) is headed by ~~Samo~~ Schasnij and

its duties are only for the protection of the homeland. He said

that the USSR does not engage in spying. It is too advanced for

such actions. The microphones found in the U.S. embassy were put

there during the regime of Stalin. He said that he went to the

movies and saw "From Russia With Love." Recommending it to me.

I asked about the relationship of (children) to ~~their~~ ^{their} political fathers" How do they look upon the mistakes of their predecessors He did not reply to this question. The conversation changed to the problem of nationalities of the Soviet Union. He said that he lived in Tbilisi, Georgia before the war and said that in Georgia everyone spoke Georgian. But Russian is important to bind the people into one group. About 9:30 he said that he had to go because he was expecting a call from his friend, (from Yale) the friend was calling about the return trip to the USSR. We made an arrangement to meet again on Tuesday and go to the World's Fair (Tuesday June 16th 1964) at 10:00 AM at Broadway and 116th St.